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SUBJ: HUNGARIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD CSCE RESULTS

AT THE SEPTEMBER 9 POLADS MEETING, THE FRG REP (CITRON) CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING ANALYSIS, PREPARED BY THE FRG EMBASSY IN BUDAPEST, OF THE HUNGARIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD THE RESULTS OF CSCE.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. THE REACTION OF HUNGARIAN POLITICIANS AND MASS MEDIA HAS SO FAR BEEN LIMITED. MEANINGFUL STATEMENTS WHICH PERMIT CONCLUSIONS AS TO THE ATTITUDE OF THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT TOWARDS THE CSCE RESULTS ACHIEVED IN HELSINKI HAVE ONLY BEEN MADE BY MR. KADAR AND THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT: IN ADDITION, A FEW PRESS COMMENTS ARE AVAILABLE. THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT HAS NOT YET BEEN FULLY PUBLISHED. HOWEVER, THE HUNGARIAN PARTY ORGAN "NEPSZABADSAG" ANNOUNCED ON 26 AUGUST THAT THE FULL TEXT OF THE FINAL ACT WOULD BE PUBLISHED IN THE FORM OF A BROCHURE.

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2. THE COMMENTS AVAILABLE UP TO NOW INDICATE THAT HUNGARY WHOLEHEARTEDLY WELCOMES THE RESULTS OF HELSINKI SINCE THEY CONTRIBUTED TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE AND TO ENSURING THE FURTHER DEVELOP-

MENT OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE. AT THE SAME TIME, THE READINESS IS EMPHASIZED TO GIVE FULL IMPLEMENTATION TO THE HELSINKI DECISIONS WHOSE POLITICALLY AND NORMALLY BINDING EFFECT IS UNDERLINED.

3. THE FOLLOWING DETAILS OF THE HUNGARIAN CSCE EVALUATION DESERVE SPECIAL MENTION:

4. NO SPECIAL PREFERENCE OF INDIVIDUAL PRINCIPLES OF THE FINAL ACT IS APPARENT, ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN SAID SEVERAL TIMES THAT THE CSCE RESULTS CONFIRMED THE PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE WHICH HAD ALWAYS BEEN UPHELD BY HUNGARY.

5. REPEATED EMPHASIS IS GIVEN TO THE NEED TO IMPROVE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND TO REMOVE TRADE BARRIERS. NO MENTION IS MADE OF THE NEGOTIATING AND SIGNING TRADE AGREEMENTS.

6. WITH REGARD TO HUMAN CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION, KADAR POINTED OUT THAT HUNGARY WAS ABLE, WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE, TO CALL ATTENTION TO ITS POLICY OF THE "OPEN DOOR" WHICH IT HAD ALWAYS PURSUED. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE HUNGARIAN PARTY ORGAN "NEPSZABADSAG" OF 26 AUGUST REFERS SPECIFICALLY TO THE CONTINUING IDEOLOGICAL CONFLICT BETWEEN SOCIALISM AND CAPITALISM; THIS CONFLICT REQUIRED A DIFFERENT CULTURAL AND INFORMATION POLICY ON THE PART OF THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED AND THUS REQUIRED ADDITIONAL BI-AND MULTILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH WHICH THE HELSINKI DECISIONS HAD TO BE FILLED OUT. END TEXT:BRUCE

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